

NetworkX Quick Reference

More detailed documentation and listing of options and defaults can be found in the [html documentation](#) or by using pydoc (or interactive help) on a function, method or class. For example, for methods of the Graph class such as add_node, use

```
pydoc networkx.Graph.add_node
```

or

```
pydoc networkx.Graph
```

to report all Graph methods.

For functions associated with multiple graph classes, such as subgraph or watts_strogatz_graph, use

```
pydoc networkx.subgraph
```

or

```
pydoc networkx.watts_strogatz_graph
```

Terminology

Graph or network structure is encoded in the **edges** (connections, links, ties, arcs, bonds) between **nodes** (vertices, sites, actors).

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nlist      - a list of nodes.
nbunch     - a bunch of nodes:
              any iterable container of nodes.
e=(u,v)    - a Graph or DiGraph edge as a Python tuple (also written u-v or u->v).
e=(u,v,x)  - an XGraph or XGraph edge as a Python tuple, x is an arbitrary object.
elist      - a list of edges.
ebunch     - a bunch of edges:
              any iterable container of edge-tuples.
```

Creation

```
G=Graph()      - create empty simple graph G.
G=DiGraph()    - create empty simple directed graph G.
G=XGraph()     - create empty graph G with edge data.
G=XDiGraph()   - create empty directed graph G with edge data.
G=empty_graph(n) - create empty graph with n nodes.
G=empty_graph(n,create_using=DiGraph()) - create empty digraph with n nodes.
G=create_empty_copy(H) - create new, empty graph of same class as H.
```

Manipulation

Methods associated with a graph-like object G:

<code>G.add_node(n)</code>	- add single node to G.
<code>G.add_nodes_from(nbunch)</code>	- add each node in nbunch to G.
<code>G.delete_node(n)</code>	- delete node n from G.
<code>G.delete_nodes_from(nbunch)</code>	- delete each node n in nbunch.
<code>G.add_edge(u,v)</code>	- add edge (u,v) to G. if G is a digraph, add directed edge u->v.
<code>G.add_edge(e)</code>	- add edge e=(u,v) *(equivalent to above)*
<code>G.add_edges_from(ebunch)</code>	- add each edge e in ebunch to G.
<code>G.delete_edge(u,v)</code>	- delete edge (u,v)
<code>G.delete_edge(e)</code>	- delete edge e=(u,v)
<code>G.delete_edges_from(ebunch)</code>	- delete each edge in ebunch from G.
<code>G.add_path(nlist)</code>	- add nodes and edges to make ordered path.
<code>G.add_cycle(nlist)</code>	- same as add_path, but end nodes are connected.
<code>G.clear()</code>	- delete all nodes and edges.
<code>G.copy()</code>	- return "shallow" copy of the graph (like dict.copy())
<code>G.subgraph(nbunch)</code>	- return subgraph induced by nodes in nbunch.

New graphs from old

<code>subgraph(G, nbunch)</code>	- subgraph induced by nodes in nbunch.
<code>union(G1,G2)</code>	- graph union.
<code>disjoint_union(G1,G2)</code>	- graph union, assuming all nodes are different.
<code>cartesian_product(G1,G2)</code>	- Cartesian product graph.
<code>compose(G1,G2)</code>	- combine graphs, identifying nodes with same name.
<code>complement(G)</code>	- return graph complement.
<code>create_empty_copy(G)</code>	- empty copy of the same graph class.
<code>convert_to_undirected(G)</code>	- return an undirected copy of G.
<code>convert_to_directed(G)</code>	- return a directed copy of G.
<code>convert_node_labels_to_integers(G)</code>	- return copy with nodes relabelled as integers.

Graph Properties

Methods:

<code>G.order()</code>	- number of nodes in G.
<code>G.size()</code>	- number of edges in G.

`G.nodes()` - return copy of all nodes of `G` in a list.
`G.nodes_iter()` - return iterator over all nodes in `G`.
`G.has_node(n)` - True if `n` is a node in `G`.
`n in G` - equivalent to `G.has_node(n)`
`G.edges()` - return list of all edges in `G`.
`G.edges(nbunch)` - return list of edges adjacent to some node in `nbunch`.
`G.edges_iter()` - return iterator over all edges in `G`.
`G.edges_iter(nbunch)` - return iterator that iterate once over each edge adjacent to some node in `nbunch`.
`G.has_edge(u,v)` - True if `(u,v)` is an edge in `G`.
`G.edge_boundary(nb1)` - return a list of edges outward from `nb1`.
`G.edge_boundary(nb1,nb2)` - return a list of edges between `nb1` and `nb2`.

`G.neighbors(n)` - return list of nodes connected to node `n` (outgoing if directed)
`G[n]` - equivalent to `G.neighbors(n)`.
`G.neighbors_iter(n)` - return iterator over the neighbors of node `n`.
`G.has_neighbor(v,u)` - check if `u` is a neighbor of `v` (returns True or False).
`G.node_boundary(nb1)` - return list of nodes outside but connected to `nb1`.
`G.node_boundary(nb1,nb2)` - return list of nodes in `nb2` connected to `nb1`.

`G.degree(n)` - return degree of node `n`.
`G.degree()` - return list of degrees of all nodes in `G`.
`G.degree(with_labels=True)` - return dict mapping each node in `G` to its degree.
`G.degree(nbunch)` - return list of degrees of all nodes in `nbunch`.
`G.degree(nbunch,with_labels=True)` - return dict mapping each `n` in `nbunch` to `degree(n)`

Directed Graphs Only

`G.out_edges()` - like edges, but only outward pointing edges.
`G.in_edges()` - like edges, but only inward pointing edges.
`G.in_degree()` - like degree, but only inward edges count.
`G.out_degree()` - like degree, but only outward edges count.
`G.predecessors()` - like neighbors, but only inward edges count.
`G.successors()` - like neighbors, but only outward edges count.
`G.predecessors_iter()` - like neighbors_iter, but only inward edges count.
`G.successors_iter()` - like neighbors_iter, but only outward edges count.

Functions

`number_of_nodes(G)` - number of nodes in `G`.
`order(G)` - equivalent to above.
`number_of_edges(G)` - number of edges in `G`.

`size(G)` - equivalent to above.
`density(G)` - fraction of possible edges which exist.

`nodes(G)` - return copy of all nodes of G in a list.
`nodes_iter(G)` - return iterator over all nodes in G.
`edges(G)` - return list of all edges in G.
`edges_iter(G)` - return iterator over all edges in G.

`diameter(G)` - return maximum of all-pairs shortest path.
`periphery(G)` - return list of nodes with eccentricity equal to diameter.
`radius(G)` - return minimum of all-pairs shortest path.
`center(G)` - return list of nodes with eccentricity equal to radius.

`is_directed(G)` - True if G is a directed graph.
`is_connected(G)` - True if G is a connected graph.
`number_connected_components(G)` - number of connected components in G.
`connected_components(G)` - list of lists of nodes in each component of G.
`average_clustering(G)` - clustering coefficient averaged over nodes of G.
`transitivity(G)` - fraction of transitive triples that are triangles.
`communities(G)` - list of lists storing binary-tree community dendrograms.
`kl_connected_subgraph(G)` - subgraph of G that is kl-connected.
`is_kl_connected(G)` - True if G is kl-connected.

`adj_matrix(G)` - adjacency matrix for G as a numpy matrix.
`laplacian(G)` - Graph Laplacian for G as a numpy matrix.
`generalized_laplacian(G)` - generalized graph Laplacian for G as a numpy matrix.

`is_directed_acyclic_graph(G)` - True if DAG.
`topological_sort(G)` - list of nodes in directed graph such that every edge

Nodal Properties

If n is unspecified, then report properties of all nodes in graph.

`neighbors(G,n)` - neighbors (outgoing if directed) of n in G.
`G[n]` - same as above.
`degree(G,n)` - number of edges for n in G.
`eccentricity(G,n)` - maximum of shortest-path lengths from n to anywhere in G.
`triangles(G,n)` - number of triangles which include n.
`clustering(G,n)` - clustering coefficient: ratio of triangles to potential triangles.
`node_betweenness(G,n)` - number of shortest paths through n.
`betweenness_centrality(G,n)` - fraction of shortest paths that go through n.
`degree_centrality(G,n)` - fraction of possible nodes connected to n.

<code>closeness_centrality(G,n)</code>	- 1/(average distance to all nodes from n).
<code>shortest_path(G,u,v)</code>	- list denoting the shortest path from u to v.
<code>shortest_path_length(G,u,v)</code>	- length of the shortest path from u to v.
<code>node_connected_component(G,n)</code>	- list of nodes in node n's connected component.
<code>dijkstra(G,u)</code>	- dicts for shortest weighted paths and path length from u
<code>dijkstra_shortest_path(G,u)</code>	- dict of paths from u keyed by target node.
<code>dijkstra_path_length(G,u)</code>	- dict of path lengths from u keyed by target node.

Generating Graphs

Variable size graphs

```

make_small_graph(graph_description,create_using=None,**kwds)
LCF_graph(n, shift_list, repeats)

balanced_tree(r, h)
barbell_graph(m1, m2)
complete_graph(n)
complete_bipartite_graph(n1, n2)
circular_ladder_graph(n)
cycle_graph(n)
empty_graph(n, create_using=None, **kwds)
grid_graph([m1,m2,...,mk])
grid_2d_graph(m, n)
hypercube_graph(n)
ladder_graph(n)
lollipop_graph(m, n)
null_graph(create_using=None, **kwds)
path_graph(n)
periodic_grid_2d_graph(m, n)
star_graph(n)
wheel_graph(n)

```

Small, named graphs of fixed size

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bull_graph(), chvatal_graph(), cubical_graph(), desargues_graph(),
diamond_graph(), dodecahedral_graph(), Frucht_graph(),
heawood_graph(), house_graph(), house_x_graph(),
icosahedral_graph(), krackhardt_kite_graph(),
moebius_kantor_graph(), octahedral_graph(), pappus_graph(),
petersen_graph(), sedgewick_maze_graph(), tetrahedral_graph(), trivial_graph(),
truncated_cube_graph(), truncated_tetrahedron_graph(), tutte_graph()

```

Random graphs

```
barabasi_albert_graph(n, m, seed=None)
binomial_graph(n, p, seed=None)
erdos_renyi_graph(n, p, seed=None)
gnm_random_graph(n, m, seed=None)
gnp_random_graph(n, p, seed=None)
powerlaw_cluster_graph(n, m, p, seed=None)
random_regular_graph(d, n, seed=None)
random_lobster(n, p1, p2, seed=None)
watts_strogatz_graph(n, k, p, seed=None)
```

Graphs from degree sequences

```
configuration_model(deg_sequence, seed=None)
havel_hakimi_graph(deg_sequence, seed=None)
is_valid_degree_sequence(deg_sequence)
create_degree_sequence(n, sfunction=None, max_tries=50, **kws)
pareto_sequence(n, exponent=1.0) - return a sequence with pareto distribution of 1
powerlaw_sequence(n, exponent=2.0) - return a sequence with powerlaw distribution of 1
uniform_sequence(n) - return a sequence with uniform distribution of 1
discrete_sequence(n, distribution) - return a sequence with distribution matching gi
```

IO

```
read_adjlist(path, comments='#', delimiter=' ', create_using=None, nodetype=None)
write_adjlist(G, path, comments='#', delimiter=' ')
read_edgelist(path, comments="#", delimiter=' ', create_using=None, nodetype=None, edgelist_type=None)
write_edgelist(G, path, comments="#", delimiter=' ')
read_multiline_adjlist(path, comments='#', delimiter=' ', create_using=None, nodetype=None)
write_multiline_adjlist(G, path, comments='#', delimiter=' ')
read_gpickle(path)
write_gpickle(G, path)
read_yaml(path)
write_yaml(G, path, default_flow_style=False)
```